# **EPA Superfund Record of Decision:**

PRISTINE, INC. EPA ID: OHD076773712 OU 02 READING, OH 03/30/1990

- 1. EXCAVATION AND INCINERATION (MOBILE ON-SITE THERMAL TREATMENT) OF:
  - A) THE TOP ONE (1) FOOT OF SOIL ACROSS ZONE A (THE VOLUME TO BE INCINERATED WILL BE DETERMINED BY A BOUNDARY SURVEY);
  - B) SEDIMENT FROM THE DRAINAGE DITCHES ALONG THE NORTHWEST BOUNDARY
    OF ZONE A AND ALONG THE NORTHERN BOUNDARY OF CINCINNATI DRUM
    SERVICE (EXISTING DATA AND ADDITIONAL SAMPLING WILL BE USED TO
    DELINEATE THE VOLUME OF SEDIMENT TO BE TREATED);
  - C) ALL ZONE A SOILS THAT CONTAIN NON-VOLATILE CONTAMINANTS ABOVE THE PERFORMANCE GOALS AND STANDARDS OUTLINED IN TABLE 1 FROM A LEVEL OF ONE (1) FOOT BELOW PRESENT GRADE TO A LEVEL OF FOUR (4) FEET BELOW PRESENT GRADE;
  - D) ALL ZONE B SOILS THAT CONTAIN NON-VOLATILE CONTAMINANTS ABOVE PERFORMANCE GOALS AND STANDARDS IN TABLE 1 FROM PRESENT GRADE TO A LEVEL OF FOUR (4) FEET; AND
  - E) MAGIC PIT (LOCATED IN ZONE B) SOILS THAT CONTAIN NON-VOLATILE CONTAMINANTS ABOVE PERFORMANCE GOALS AND STANDARDS IN TABLE 1 TO A LEVEL OF FOUR (4) FEET BELOW AND TO A LEVEL OF FOUR (4) FEET ONTO THE THREE UNEXPOSED SIDE WALLS OF THE MAGIC PIT ITSELF.
- 2. THE INCINERATOR ASH WILL BE TESTED TO DETERMINE IF THE ASH MEETS DELISTING CRITERIA ESTABLISHED UNDER RCRA AND OHIO SOLID WASTE REGULATIONS. IF THE DELISTING CRITERIA ARE MET, THE ASH WILL BE DISPOSED OF AS A SOLID WASTE ON ZONE A UNDER THE RCRA MULTI-MEDIA CAP. ALTERNATIVE TREATMENT/DISPOSAL METHODS WILL BE REQUIRED IF PORTIONS OF THE ASH DO NOT MEET DELISTING CRITERIA; AND
- 3. DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION, OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF AN IN-SITU SOIL VAPOR EXTRACTION (ISVE) SYSTEM, WHICH SHALL INCLUDE AN OFF-GAS CONTROL SYSTEM, TO MITIGATE VOC CONTAMINATION IN ZONE A AND MAGIC PIT PORTION OF ZONE B SOILS. AS A RESULT OF ISVE, THE UPPER TWELVE (12) FEET OF ZONE A AND THE MAGIC PIT PORTION OF ZONE B WILL BE DEWATERED, INCLUDING THE UPPER OUTWASH LENS. GROUNDWATER EXTRACTED FROM THE ISVE TRENCHES AND WELL POINTS WILL BE TREATED IN THE FACILITY TREATMENT PLANT USING CARBON ADSORPTION. A MULTI-LAYER CAP SHALL BE INSTALLED OVER ZONE A TO MINIMIZE WATER INFILTRATION TO THE ZONE A SOILS AND SHALL MEET THE RCRA PERFORMANCE CRITERIA FOR THE DURATION OF THE POST CLOSURE PERIOD OF 30 YEARS. THE RCRA CAP WILL ALSO PREVENT SHORT CIRCUITING OF AIR TO THE PORTION OF THE ISVE SYSTEM TO BE CONSTRUCTED, OPERATED AND MAINTAINED IN ZONE A.

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#### 4. PERFORMANCE GOALS AND STANDARDS

THE PERFORMANCE GOALS AND STANDARDS THAT THE SOIL/SEDIMENT CLEANUP MUST MEET ARE PRESENTED IN TABLE 1. THE SOIL/SEDIMENT PERFORMANCE GOALS AND STANDARDS ARE BASED ON A CUMULATIVE 1 X (10-6) INCREMENTAL LIFETIME CANCER RISK OF ELEVEN INDICATOR COMPOUNDS EXAMINED IN THE RI PUBLIC HEALTH EVALUATION.

5. EVALUATION OF THE NEW SOIL REMEDY AND THE PREVIOUSLY SELECTED SOIL REMEDY

THE NINE EVALUATION CRITERIA US EPA CONSIDERS WHEN SELECTING A REMEDY AND A COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS BETWEEN THE PREVIOUSLY SELECTED SOIL COMPONENT AND THE NEW SOIL REMEDY ARE LISTED BELOW:

\* OVERALL PROTECTION OF HUMAN HEALTH AND THE ENVIRONMENT - BOTH THE NEW RECOMMENDED SOIL REMEDY AND THE PREVIOUSLY SELECTED SOIL REMEDY PROVIDE ADEQUATE PROTECTION OF HUMAN HEALTH AND THE ENVIRONMENT BY MITIGATING AND MINIMIZING RISK THROUGH TREATMENT AND INSTITUTIONAL CONTROLS. EACH REMEDY USES TREATMENT TO THE MAXIMUM EXTENT PRACTICABLE.

- \* COMPLIANCE WITH ARARS BOTH THE NEW RECOMMENDED SOIL REMEDY AND THE PREVIOUSLY SELECTED SOIL REMEDY WOULD MEET ALL APPLICABLE OR RELEVANT AND APPROPRIATE REQUIREMENTS OF FEDERAL AND STATE ENVIRONMENTAL LAWS.
- \* LONG-TERM EFFECTIVENESS AND PERMANENCE THE NEW RECOMMENDED SOIL REMEDY AND THE PREVIOUSLY SELECTED SOIL REMEDY WOULD TREAT THE CONTAMINATED SOIL TO LEVELS WHICH PROTECT IDENTIFIED RECEPTORS. THE TREATMENT TECHNOLOGIES EMPLOYED WOULD BE EFFECTIVE IN THE LONG-TERM AND PERMANENT BECAUSE THE CONTAMINANTS OF CONCERN WOULD BE REMOVED FROM THE SOIL AND DESTROYED, OR TRAPPED IN A SOLIDIFIED MASS. BOTH REMEDIES REQUIRE THE SAME DEGREE OF LONG-TERM MAINTENANCE AND MONITORING AS BOTH HAVE CAP OR SOIL COVER MAINTENANCE REQUIREMENTS.
- \* REDUCTION OF TOXICITY, MOBILITY, OR VOLUME BOTH THE NEW RECOMMENDED AND PREVIOUSLY SELECTED SOIL REMEDIES PROVIDE A SIGNIFICANT REDUCTION IN THE TOXICITY, MOBILITY, OR VOLUME OF SOIL CONTAMINANTS THROUGH THE USE OF PERMANENT TREATMENT TECHNOLOGIES.
- \* SHORT-TERM EFFECTIVENESS BOTH THE NEW SOIL REMEDY AND THE PREVIOUSLY SELECTED SOIL REMEDY PRESENT SOME DEGREE OF SHORT TERM RISKS TO ON-SITE WORKERS AND POTENTIALLY TO BUSINESSES AND
  - RESIDENCES NEAR THE SITE THROUGH POTENTIAL AIR EMISSIONS. THE AIR EMISSIONS FROM THE IN-SITU SOIL VAPOR EXTRACTION/INCINERATION TECHNOLOGY COMBINATION ARE EASILY CONTROLLED AND MONITORED. AIR EMISSIONS WILL BE FUNNELLED TO A PIPE OR STACK, WHERE THEY WOULD BE CONTROLLED AND MONITORED. THE AIR EMISSIONS FROM IN-SITU VITRIFICATION TECHNOLOGY ARE MORE DIFFICULT TO CONTROL BECAUSE THEY ARE EMITTED FROM A LARGE SURFACE AREA, AS OPPOSED TO A STACK. THE NEW SOIL REMEDY WILL TAKE APPROXIMATELY SEVEN YEARS TO COMPLETE WHILE THE PREVIOUSLY SELECTED SOIL REMEDY WOULD TAKE THREE YEARS TO COMPLETE.
- IMPLEMENTABILITY THE NEW RECOMMENDED SOIL REMEDY COMPONENT OFFERS SEVERAL ADVANTAGES OVER THE PREVIOUSLY SELECTED SOIL REMEDY COMPONENT IN TERMS OF IMPLEMENTABILITY. INCINERATION AND IN-SITU SOIL VAPOR EXTRACTION ARE PROVEN TECHNOLOGIES AND ARE EASILY IMPLEMENTED. ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVALS ARE NECESSARY AS THE TRIAL BURN, INCINERATION RESIDUE TESTING, AND RESIDUE DISPOSAL PROGRAM MUST BE APPROVED BY THE US EPA AND THE STATE. WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE MOBILE ON-SITE INCINERATOR, ALL SERVICES AND MATERIALS ARE READILY AVAILABLE. THE RECOMMENDED CHANGE IN THE SOIL REMEDY DOES NOT CAUSE ANY ADDITIONAL LONG-TERM MAINTENANCE OR MONITORING REQUIREMENTS. ON THE OTHER HAND, THE IN-SITU VITRIFICATION TECHNOLOGY IS NOT PROVEN OR FULLY TESTED. AS STATED IN THE DECEMBER 1987 ROD, US EPA PLANNED TO USE IN-SITU VITRIFICATION AT ANOTHER SITE IN OHIO PRIOR TO IMPLEMENTING THE TECHNOLOGY AT THE PRISTINE SITE. THIS HOWEVER HAS NOT OCCURRED. THEREFORE, A FULL SCALE FIELD TEST WOULD NEED TO BE CONDUCTED BEFORE IMPLEMENTATION OF IN-SITU VITRIFICATION AT PRISTINE. IN ADDITION, BECAUSE IN-SITU VITRIFICATION IS STILL AN EMERGING TECHNOLOGY, THE NUMBER OF FIRMS OFFERING THE NECESSARY SERVICES TO DESIGN AND IMPLEMENT IT IS LIMITED.

\* COST - THE TOTAL COST FOR DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF THE NEW RECOMMENDED SOIL REMEDY AND THE PREVIOUSLY SELECTED SOIL REMEDY ARE LISTED BELOW:

NEW SOIL REMEDY \$11,270,000 PREVIOUSLY SELECTED SOIL REMEDY \$19,417,000

A COST COMPARISON BETWEEN IN-SITU VITRIFICATION AND INCINERATION/SOIL VAPOR EXTRACTION IS LOCATED IN TABLE 2.

- \* STATE ACCEPTANCE THE STATE OF OHIO CONCURS WITH THE NEW SOIL REMEDY.
- \* COMMUNITY ACCEPTANCE THE SPECIFIC RESPONSES TO PUBLIC COMMENTS ARE LOCATED IN THE RESPONSIVENESS SUMMARY.

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#### RESPONSIVENESS SUMMARY

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS RECEIVED DURING THE PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

1. COMMENT: RILEY KINMAN, PRISTINE, INC.

THE NO ACTION ALTERNATIVE IS THE ONLY APPROPRIATE RESPONSE FOR THE CLEANED PRISTINE, INC. SITE UNDER CERCLA.

US EPA RESPONSE: THE NO ACTION ALTERNATIVE IS NOT APPROPRIATE FOR THE PRISTINE SITE. RISK LEVELS REMAINING AT THE SITE ARE ABOVE LEVELS THE US EPA DEEMS ACCEPTABLE TO PROTECT HUMAN HEALTH AND THE ENVIRONMENT. PLEASE SEE THE PRISTINE, INC. PUBLIC HEALTH EVALUATION AND THE PREVIOUS ROD RESPONSIVENESS SUMMARY.

2. COMMENT: RILEY KINMAN, PRISTINE, INC.

THE COMMENTS PROVIDED ON DEC. 3, 1987 ARE ATTACHED AND ARE STILL VALID AND ARE HEREBY MADE A PART OF THIS COMMENT DOCUMENT.

US EPA RESPONSE: SINCE THIS ROD AMENDMENT IS AN ADDENDUM TO THE ORIGINAL ROD, YOUR PREVIOUS COMMENTS AND US EPA RESPONSES ARE STILL PART OF THE PUBLIC RECORD FOR THE SITE.

3. COMMENT: RILEY KINMAN, PRISTINE, INC.

WE WERE PLEASED TO SEE THE US EPA AGREED WITH US, FINALLY, ON THE IN-SITU VITRIFICATION PROPOSAL.

US EPA RESPONSE: US EPA'S DECISION TO MODIFY THE SOIL COMPONENT OF THE REMEDY WAS BASED UPON AN EVALUATION OF THE SAME CRITERIA UTILIZED IN THE ORIGINAL ROD. WHILE THE AGENCY BELIEVES THAT THE ORIGINAL REMEDY PROVIDES A GOOD BALANCE AMONG THOSE CRITERIA, THE NEW SOIL COMPONENT PROVIDES AN EVEN BETTER BALANCE OF THE NINE CRITERIA.

4. COMMENT: RILEY KINMAN, PRISTINE, INC.

INCINERATION OF PRISTINE SOILS MAY PRODUCE A LARGE QUANTITY OF SULFUR DIOXIDE (SO2) AT THE SITE IF THE ELEMENTAL SULFUR IN THE SOIL IS CAUSED TO BURN.

US EPA RESPONSE: THE EMISSIONS FROM INCINERATION OF SOILS AT THE PRISTINE SITE WILL MEET ALL NATIONAL AMBIENT AIR QUALITY STANDARDS FOR SULFUR DIOXIDE. US EPA HAS DETERMINED THAT THESE STANDARDS ARE PROTECTIVE OF HUMAN HEALTH AND THE ENVIRONMENT.

5. COMMENT: RILEY KINMAN, PRISTINE, INC.

SO2 PRODUCTION AT THE SITE BY THIS PROCEDURE WOULD BE IN VIOLATION OF THE CLEAN AIR ACT AND COMPREHENSIVE ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSE, COMPENSATION AND LIABILITY ACT OF 1980.

US EPA RESPONSE: PLEASE SEE US EPA RESPONSE FOR COMMENT 4.

6. COMMENT: RILEY KINMAN, PRISTINE, INC.

DEMOLITION OF BUILDINGS AT THE PRISTINE SITE AND DISPOSAL IN A SANITARY LANDFILL DOES NOT APPEAR CONSISTENT WITH THE US EPA STRATEGY FOR RECYCLING AND REUSE TO MINIMIZE DISPOSAL IN SCARCE SANITARY LANDFILLS.

US EPA RESPONSE: WHILE THE AGENCY IS COMMITTED TO THE BROADEST POSSIBLE APPLICATION OF THE CONCEPT OF RECYCLING, WE ARE LIMITED BY THE SPACE AVAILABLE AT THIS SITE. THE SUCCESSFUL IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS REMEDY IS DEPENDENT UPON REMOVAL OF ALL SURFACE SOILS FOR INCINERATION AND THE NECESSITY OF HAVING AN IMPERMEABLE CAP TO PREVENT SHORT CIRCUITING DURING THE VAPOR EXTRACTION PHASE. THESE NEEDS COMBINED WITH THE NEED FOR A STAGING AREA AND WATER TREATMENT PLANT LOCATION PRECLUDE THE RELOCATION OF THE DEMOLITION MATERIAL ON-SITE.

#### 7. COMMENT: RILEY KINMAN, PRISTINE, INC.

DEED RESTRICTIONS DO NOT APPEAR APPROPRIATE FOR THE PRISTINE SITE.

US EPA RESPONSE: DEED RESTRICTIONS ARE NECESSARY SINCE HAZARDOUS MATERIALS WILL REMAIN ON-SITE UNDER A RCRA CAP. DEED RESTRICTIONS WILL PROHIBIT ANY ACTIVITIES THAT WOULD AFFECT ADVERSELY THE INTEGRITY OF THE CAP. THE CAP MUST NOT BE DISTURBED TO PREVENT THE MIGRATION OF THE REMAINING ON-SITE CONTAMINANTS.

#### 8. COMMENT: RILEY KINMAN, PRISTINE, INC.

IT IS DOUBTFUL THAT THE REMEDIES PROPOSED WILL DO ANYTHING SUBSTANTIVE TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF GROUNDWATER AT THE SITE, DUE TO THE PRESENCE OF OTHER SOURCES OF POLLUTANTS AT THE SITE THAT WILL NOT BE ADDRESSED BY THESE REMEDIES.

US RESPONSE: THE AGENCY IS AWARE OF PRISTINE'S SETTING WITHIN A REGIONAL GROUNDWATER PROBLEM. HOWEVER, FROM THE REMEDIAL INVESTIGATION, IT IS ALSO OBVIOUS THAT THE SITE IS INTRODUCING ITS OWN CONTAMINANT LOADING TO THE AQUIFER. THUS, REMEDIAL ACTION AT THE PRISTINE SITE IS NECESSARY TO ELIMINATE CONTAMINANTS ATTRIBUTABLE TO THE PRISTINE SITE FROM THE REGIONAL GROUNDWATER PROBLEM. ALSO, SHOULD THE NEED ARISE, THE AGENCY RETAINS THE AUTHORITY TO RESPOND TO ANY EMERGENCY CONDITIONS, INCLUDING GROUNDWATER CONTAMINATION, IDENTIFIED IN THE REGION.

#### 9. COMMENT: THE PRISTINE GROUP

THE PRISTINE GROUP STRONGLY SUPPORTS THE AGENCY'S DECISION TO SELECT IN-SITU SOIL VAPOR

EXTRACTION/INCINERATION AS THE REMEDY FOR THE PRISTINE, INC. FACILITY RATHER THAN THE EXPERIMENTAL IN-SITU

VITRIFICATION REMEDY THAT WAS ORIGINALLY PROPOSED. THE VAPOR EXTRACTION/INCINERATION REMEDY IS NOT ONLY

ENTIRELY CONSISTENT WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF CERCLA, BUT IS ALSO MORE PROTECTIVE OF THE ENVIRONMENT BECAUSE

OF IN-SITU VITRIFICATION'S PROPENSITY TO CAUSE MIGRATION OF CHEMICALS AWAY FROM THE SITE.

US EPA RESPONSE: THE U.S EPA AGREES THAT THE INCINERATION/SOIL VAPOR EXTRACTION REMEDY WILL ACHIEVE THE SAME CLEANUP STANDARDS AND PROVIDE A BETTER BALANCE OF THE NINE CRITERIA THAT US EPA USES IN SELECTING A REMEDY. HOWEVER, THE STATEMENT THAT IN-SITU VITRIFICATION PROMOTES CHEMICAL MIGRATION OF CHEMICALS HAS NOT BEEN PROVED ONE WAY OR THE OTHER. THE US EPA CONSIDERS THE ORIGINAL SOIL COMPONENT AND THE NEW SOIL COMPONENT EQUALLY PROTECTIVE OF HUMAN HEALTH AND THE ENVIRONMENT.

#### 10. COMMENT: THE PRISTINE GROUP

MANY OF THE INORGANIC COMPOUNDS AND METALS DETECTED IN GROUNDWATER SAMPLES FROM LOWER AQUIFER WELLS OCCUR NATURALLY (E.G., CALCIUM, IRON, MAGNESIUM, MANGANESE, POTASSIUM, SODIUM). THE STATEMENT THAT "THEIR PRESENCE IN THE GROUNDWATER INDICATES GROUNDWATER QUALITY HAS BEEN COMPROMISED" IS NOT CORRECT TO THE EXTENT IT IMPLIES THAT THESE SUBSTANCES ORIGINATED FROM THE PRISTINE SITE.

US EPA RESPONSE: DUE TO THE DIVERSE AMOUNT OF WASTE TAKEN TO THE PRISTINE, INC. FACILITY, THE POSSIBILITY EXISTS THAT CALCIUM, IRON, MAGNESIUM, MANGANESE, POTASSIUM AND SODIUM WERE PRESENT IN WASTE DELIVERED AND ARE BREAKDOWN PRODUCTS. THE COMMENTOR IS CORRECT THAT MANY OF THE ABOVE LISTED COMPOUNDS OCCUR NATURALLY AND ADDITIONAL SAMPLING DURING THE DESIGN PHASE WILL VERIFY IF THEY ARE NATURALLY OCCURRING.

#### 11. COMMENT: THE PRISTINE GROUP

THE ESD STATES THAT THE PRISTINE INCINERATOR ASH "CONTAINED FURANS AND DIOXINS." AS A POINT OF CLARIFICATION, IT SHOULD BE POINTED OUT THAT THE 2,3,7,8-TCDD CONGENER, WHICH IS CONSIDERED TO BE THE MOST TOXIC OF THE DIOXIN AND FURAN COMPOUNDS, WAS NOT DETECTED IN THE INCINERATOR RESIDUE OR SOIL SAMPLES COLLECTED DURING THE RI (WITH THE EXCEPTION OF ONE SOIL SAMPLE WHERE THE COMPOUND WAS ALSO DETECTED IN THE LABORATORY BLANK SAMPLE, INDICATING LABORATORY CONTAMINATION OF THE SAMPLE). FURTHER, SINCE DIOXINS EXHIBIT A HIGH AFFINITY TOWARD SOIL AND TEND TO REMAIN ON OR NEAR THE SURFACE OF THE SOIL (SEE HEALTH ASSESSMENT DOCUMENT FOR POLYCHLORINATED DIBENZO-P-DIOXINS," EPA/600/8-84/014F, SEPTEMBER 1985), AND SINCE SUCH COMPOUNDS HAVE A LOW SOLUBILITY IN WATER, IT IS UNLIKELY THAT THE GROUNDWATER WOULD BECOME CONTAMINATED WITH DIOXINS.

NO DIOXIN HAS BEEN DETECTED IN ANY PRIOR GROUNDWATER SAMPLE AT THE PRISTINE SITE.

US EPA RESPONSE: THE DIOXINS AND FURANS MENTIONED REFER TO TOTAL DIOXINS AND FURANS AND NOT JUST 2,3,7,8 TCDD CONGENER. IN ADDITION, THE COMMENTOR IS CORRECT THAT DIOXIN WAS NOT DETECTED IN SAMPLING PERFORMED IN THE REMEDIAL INVESTIGATION, BUT THE STATEMENT "IT IS UNLIKELY THAT GROUNDWATER WOULD BECOME CONTAMINATED WITH DIOXINS" IS BASED UPON CONJECTURE.

ADDITIONAL SAMPLING AND ANALYSIS DURING REMEDIAL DESIGN WILL VERIFY THE PRESENCE OR ABSENCE OF DIOXIN.

#### 12. COMMENT: THE PRISTINE GROUP

THE EPA STATES THAT "IN-SITU SOIL VAPOR EXTRACTION WOULD WORK AS WELL AS IN-SITU VITRIFICATION FOR VOCS." IN FACT, THE SOIL VAPOR EXTRACTION TECHNOLOGY IS THE BETTER TECHNOLOGY BECAUSE, UNLIKE IN-SITU VITRIFICATION, IT DOES NOT PROVIDE A DRIVING FORCE FOR THE UNCONTROLLED MIGRATION OF ORGANIC COMPOUNDS. IN THIS REGARD, THE GRADUAL HEATING OF THE SOIL ZONE WITH IN-SITU VITRIFICATION FORCES THE VOLATILE COMPOUNDS TO MIGRATE AWAY, PARTICULARLY THROUGH THE MORE PERMEABLE SOIL ZONES. (SEE BATTELLE PACIFIC NORTHWEST LABORATORY REPORT: "IN-SITU VITRIFICATION OF TRANSURANIC WASTES: AN UPDATED SYSTEMS EVALUATION AND APPLICATIONS ASSESSMENT," MARCH 1987.)

US EPA RESPONSE: THE US EPA DISAGREES WITH THE COMMENTOR THAT IN-SITU VITRIFICATION IS NOT AS EFFECTIVE AS IN-SITU SOIL VAPOR EXTRACTION FOR TREATING VOLATILE ORGANIC COMPOUNDS. IN-SITU VITRIFICATION TREATS VOLATILES, SEMI-VOLATILES, AND PESTICIDES, IN CONTRAST TO IN-SITU SOIL VAPOR EXTRACTION, WHICH ONLY TREATS VOLATILE ORGANIC COMPOUNDS. PLEASE SEE US EPA RESPONSE TO COMMENT 9.

#### 13. COMMENT: THE PRISTINE GROUP

FIGURES 3 AND 4 ARE CONCEPTUAL ONLY AND SHOULD BE DESCRIBED AS SUCH.

US EPA RESPONSE: FIGURES 3 AND 4 ARE INCLUDED IN THE ROD AMENDMENT TO GIVE THE PUBLIC A GENERAL PICTURE ON HOW THE SOIL VAPOR EXTRACTION SYSTEM OPERATES. THE FIGURES ARE NOT INTENDED TO BE DESIGN DOCUMENTS.

#### 14. COMMENT: THE PRISTINE GROUP

THE STATEMENT, "THE NEW RECOMMENDED SITE REMEDY WOULD TAKE APPROXIMATELY SEVEN YEARS TO COMPLETE WHILE THE PREVIOUSLY SELECTED SOIL REMEDY WOULD TAKE APPROXIMATELY 3 YEARS TO COMPLETE", IS MISLEADING. OVERALL, BOTH REMEDIES WOULD TAKE THE SAME LENGTH OF TIME TO COMPLETE BECAUSE THE LOWER GROUNDWATER EXTRACTION/TREATMENT SYSTEM WOULD BE THE SAME FOR BOTH.

FURTHERMORE, THE IN-SITU VITRIFICATION COMPONENT HAS A LONGER LEAD TIME FOR IMPLEMENTATION THAN THE VAPOR EXTRACTION COMPONENT. AS ORIGINALLY PLANNED, THE IN-SITU VITRIFICATION COMPONENT WAS TO HAVE BEEN TESTED AT ANOTHER SITE (GREINER'S LAGOON) BEFORE IMPLEMENTATION AT THE PRISTINE SITE. HOWEVER, AS ACKNOWLEDGED IN THE ESD (PG 10), THAT TEST HAS NOT BEEN CONDUCTED. THUS, SINCE EPA MAINTAINS THAT THE VITRIFICATION COMPONENT MUST BE SUBJECT TO AT LEAST A "FULL SCALE TEST" BEFORE BEING CONSIDERED FOR USE AT PRISTINE, THE TIME REQUIRED FOR COMPLETING THE VITRIFICATION COMPONENT AT PRISTINE IS UNCERTAIN AND IN FACT IS PROBABLY MUCH LONGER THAN THAT REQUIRED FOR THE SOIL VAPOR EXTRACTION METHODOLOGY. AT THE VERY LEAST, IT CANNOT BE CONCLUDED THAT THE VITRIFICATION COMPONENT COULD BE COMPLETED SOONER THAN THE VAPOR EXTRACTION COMPONENT.

US EPA RESPONSE: THE COMMENTOR IS CORRECT IN STATING THE OVERALL PRISTINE, INC. TIMEFRAME FROM THE ORIGINAL ROD TO THE NEW SITE REMEDY IS IDENTICAL, SINCE THE GROUNDWATER PUMP AND TREAT HAS NOT CHANGED. NEVERTHELESS, ON A DAY TO DAY IMPLEMENTATION BASIS, THE IN-SITU VITRIFICATION COMPONENT SHOULD REQUIRE AS MUCH AS 4 YEARS LESS TO COMPLETE THAN THE INCINERATION/SOIL VAPOR EXTRACTION COMBINATION. ALSO, A FULL SCALE TEST FOR IN-SITU VITRIFICATION AT PARSONS CHEMICAL IN MICHIGAN IS NEAR IMPLEMENTATION.

#### 15. COMMENT: J.A. BISCHOF, MILLCREEK VALLEY CONSERVANCY DISTRICT

ON BEHALF OF THE MILLCREEK VALLEY CONSERVANCY DISTRICT WE WOULD URGE YOUR OFFICE IN CARRYING OUT ANY CORRECTIVE ACTION AT THIS SITE TO ELIMINATE THE FLOW OF ANY CONTAMINATED WATER INTO THE EAST BRANCH OF THE

MILL CREEK SINCE THAT DRAINAGE MAY ENDANGER THE COMPLETED PROJECT AND THOSE MAINTAINING THAT FACILITY.

US EPA RESPONSE: THE REMEDY FOR THE PRISTINE, INC. SITE WILL NOT DISCHARGE CONTAMINANTS INTO MILL CREEK. ALL EFFLUENT DISCHARGED INTO MILL CREEK FROM THE SOIL VAPOR EXTRACTION AND GROUNDWATER PUMP AND TREAT SYSTEMS WILL MEET FEDERAL AND STATE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS.

#### 16. COMMENT: CONCERNED CITIZEN

"THE CITY HAS BEEN INFORMED ABOUT INEFFECTIVE WATER WELLS SINCE 1943. IT APPEARS SOMEONE HAS THEIR PRIORITIES REVERSED. THE ARTICLE I READ CONCERNING THE PROCRASTINATION OF THE CITY TO DO ANYTHING ALARMS ME. THEIR CAVALIER ATTITUDE TOWARD THE PUBLIC'S WELL BEING AND THE AGENCIES NOT PURSUING THE ISSUE, TO RESOLVE A PROBLEM THAT DEFINES SUPERFUND IMMINENT DANGER, APPEARS CONTRARY TO THE APPROACH THEY HAVE TAKEN TOWARD THIS PRP GROUP - 18,000,000.000?"

"THE WELLS HAVE BEEN SURROUNDED BY HEAVY INDUSTRY FOR YEARS. THE THOUGHT OF THESE SO-CALLED TOXINS MIGRATING SINCE THE GOVERNMENT TOOK OVER THE SITE AND NOTHING BEING DONE AMAZES ME] IS THERE A PROBLEM? ARE THE FACTS CORRECT OR OVERSTATED REGARDING CONTAMINANTS FOUND ON THE SITE CLOSE TO THE WELLS. YOUR STUDIES INDICATE A POTENTIAL PROBLEM BUT NOT IMMINENT. THE WATER WELLS ARE IMMINENT".

"YOUR DESIRE TO CLEAN UP THE SITE IS ADMIRABLE, BUT MYOPIC. THE REAL PUBLIC DANGER IS WITH THE AGENCIES'S PENCHANT, TO PENALIZE AND DECEIVE THE PUBLIC, INSTEAD OF WORKING TOGETHER TO ENCOURAGE WASTE SOLUTIONS. THE CITIZENS OF READING HAVE BEEN DECEIVED FOR YEARS. DID THEY SHUT DOWN EXXON OR UNION CARBIDE FOR THEIR ATROCITIES, OR DID OUR CONSTITUTIONAL CURRENCY INTERFERE?"

"WHAT DID THIS SMALL CORPORATION DO TO CREATE AN EXPENSE OF 18 MILLION DOLLARS? I CANNOT WAIT TO READ YOUR RESPONSE WHEN IT IS PUBLISHED."

US EPA RESPONSE: ABSENT FUTURE CORRECTIVE ACTIONS, THE PRISTINE, INC. SITE DOES POSE AN IMMINENT AND SUBSTANTIAL ENDANGERMENT TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH AND THE ENVIRONMENT. IF THE SITE REMAINS AS IS, CONTAMINANTS WILL CONTINUE TO MIGRATE FROM THE SITE AND FURTHER AFFECT THE LOWER AQUIFER WHICH IS A SOURCE OF DRINKING WATER. RISK LEVELS CALCULATED FOR THE SITE IN ITS CURRENT STATE ARE ABOVE THOSE US EPA DEEMS ACCEPTABLE TO PROTECT HUMAN HEALTH AND THE ENVIRONMENT.

CURRENTLY, THE CITY OF READING'S WATER SUPPLY IS IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE STATE AND FEDERAL STANDARDS AND IS SUBJECT TO ROUTINE MONITORING. US EPA IS AWARE THAT PRISTINE IS PART OF THE REGIONAL GROUNDWATER PROBLEM.

#### 17. COMMENT: PAM SPEERS, READING OHIO

"THE QUESTION ON MANY PEOPLES MIND CONCERNING THE ENVIRONMENT DEALS MAINLY WITH THE TAX PAYERS MONEY USE IN SO CALLED "CLEAN-UP". CLEANING UP THE ENVIRONMENT IS GOOD, BUT TO CONTINUE TO PUSH STUPID ISSUES JUST TO SOAK THE PEOPLE OF AMERICA FOR MONEY IS LUDICROUS. HOW DOES THE PUBLIC EVEN KNOW IF SUPERFUND MONEY WAS USED TO CLEAN-UP THE SITE IN READING."

"ACCORDING TO THE ARTICLE AND NEWSPAPER IN THE LIBRARY, SUPERFUND MONEY WAS DESIGNED, BUT I BELIEVE A RELEASED ITEMIZED STATEMENT SHOWING THE BREAKDOWN OF MONIES ISSUED WOULD BE MORE APPROPRIATE. I BELIEVE THE ONLY SUPERFUND MONEY SPENT IN READING, OHIO WAS THE ISSUE OF SALARIES TO THE ABSENT MINDED EPA PEOPLE WORKING ON A DEAD ISSUE. MY GOD PEOPLE, THE SITE HAS BEEN CLEANED UP FOR YEARS. WHAT ELSE CAN WE DO? HOW MUCH MONEY IS BEING POCKETED BY THE "EPA GROUP"? ARE YOU ON COMMISSION? YOU PEOPLE JUST WANT TO KICK A SLEEPING DOG. THERE IS NO JUST REASON FOR MORE LAW SUITS AND PENALTIES AGAINST THESE PEOPLE. MAYBE THE EPA SHOULD TAKE A LONG LOOK AT THEIR REASONS FOR CONTINUING THE HARASSMENT. IS IT PERSONAL?, PUBLIC?, WHAT THEN? MAKING EXAMPLES OF SMALL BUSINESS VERSUS THE WONDERFUL GOVERNMENT SITE OF FERNOLD, PLUS EXXON, CHEMDYNE, AND UNION CARBIDE CORPORATION IS HARDLY WHAT THE TAX PAYERS OF AMERICA WANT. EXAMPLES ARE NOT WORTH TAX MONEY. IT CAN BE USED FOR MORE RESPONSIBLE TASKS. GET BUSY WITH "IMMINENT DANGER" SITES AND STOP BLEEDING THE PEOPLE OF READING, OHIO AND AMERICA."

US EPA RESPONSE: ABSENT FUTURE CORRECTIVE ACTIONS, THE PRISTINE, INC. SITE DOES POSE AN IMMINENT AND SUBSTANTIAL ENDANGERMENT TO PUBLIC HEALTH AND THE ENVIRONMENT. THE RESPONSIBLE PARTIES ARE VOLUNTARILY

FUNDING THE CLEANUP AT THE PRISTINE, INC. SITE, SO THE USE OF SUPERFUND MONIES IS NOT NEEDED. IN ADDITION, MONIES ALREADY SPENT BY US EPA ARE BEING REIMBURSED BY THE RESPONSIBLE PARTIES. BOTH CONSIDERATIONS ALLOW US EPA TO FOCUS ITS LIMITED RESOURCES ON THOSE SITES WHERE VOLUNTARY PRIVATE PARTY ACTIONS ARE IMPOSSIBLE.

#### 18. COMMENT: CONCERNED CITIZENS OF READING, OHIO

"AFTER REVIEWING THE MATERIAL AT THE READING LIBRARY, IT APPEARS THE USEPA HAS FORCED THE PRP GROUP INTO A SETTLEMENT THAT IS NOT ONLY COSTLY BUT GREATLY OVERSTATED, REGARDING THE METHOD AND AMOUNTS OF CONTAMINATION. THE CLEANUP STARTED BACK IN 1980, AND IT IS NOW 1989, EVIDENTLY THIS SITE HAS BEEN ON A PRIORITY LIST THAT THE FEDERAL USEPA USES TO DETERMINE THE MOST DANGEROUS SITES. THIS LIST CONSIST OF FIRMS THAT HAVE PUT THE PUBLIC IN IMMINENT DANGER OR RISK OF BEING HARMED. IF THE SITE HAS BEEN IN THE HANDS OF THE USEPA AND STATE FOR NINE YEARS, (THAT IS LONGER THAN THE PRISTINE SITE EXISTED), THEN WOULDN'T THE USEPA BE RESPONSIBLE FOR SOME OF THE COST REGARDING THIS SUPPOSEDLY "IMMINENT DANGEROUS" SITE? IS THIS SITE OR SHOULD THIS SITE EVEN BE ON THIS PRIORITY LIST? ACCORDING TO SOME OF THE INFORMATION IN THE REMEDIAL INVESTIGATION AND FEASIBILITY STUDY, THE SITE SHOULD NOT COST THE PUBLIC \$18,000,000.00 THROUGH HIGHER PRICES. IF THE SITE IS A PRIORITY SUPERFUND SITE, YOU WOULD THINK THAT THE PEOPLE WHO HAVE BEEN IN CHARGE FOR THE PAST NINE YEARS. AT LEAST THE OWNERS OR SOMEONE DID MORE IN ONE AND ONE HALF YEARS THAN THE USEPA HAS DONE. WHO IS GUILTY? IS THIS SUPERFUND DECEPTION DRAWN OUT UNREASONABLY TO MAKE THE AGENCY LOOK GOOD FOR CLEANING UP A SITE, THAT, ACCORDING TO STUDIES AND AFFIDAVITS SUBMITTED IS CLEAN."

"DOES THE USEPA KNOW SOMETHING THAT THEY DON'T WANT TO ADMIT FOR THEIR OWN SELFISH BENEFIT? IS THE SITE CLEAN? YOU MUST JUSTIFY AND SUBSTANTIATE THE DECISION, FORCING CORPORATIONS TO PAY FOR A SITE WHERE THERE ARE VARIOUS DIFFERENCES AND FEELINGS REGARDING THE STUDIES AND WHAT SHOULD BE DONE TO THIS SITE. THESE DECISIONS GREATLY REFLECT THE CONSTITUTIONAL FREEDOMS OF EVERY CITIZEN IN THE UNITED STATES."

"IT IS IRONIC BUT THE PUBLICS ONLY HARM MAY COME FROM ITS OWN GOVERNMENT AND AGENCIES. THIS IS A PROBLEM THAT IS PARAMOUNT, IT HAS AND WILL CONTINUE TO HAVE A HUGE ADVERSE EFFECT ON OUR ECONOMY AN DESIRE TO PROVOKE INTEREST IN THE FUTURE TO ERADICATE ENVIRONMENTAL PROBLEMS. THE GOVERNMENT SHOULD TAKE A DIFFERENT APPROACH IF THERE IS ANY DIFFERENCE ON THE METHOD AND MONIES NEEDED TO ELIMINATE THIS PROBLEM. YOUR REWARD WOULD BE GREATER FELT BY ALL IF YOU TOOK A MORE LOGICAL APPROACH."

"IN SUMMARY, WHY DOES THE GOVERNMENT SPONSORED STUDIES INDICATE THAT \$18,000,000.00 SHOULD BE SPENT FOR A SITE THAT IS RATED 531 OUT OF 734, AND THE #2 RATED SITE IS ONLY GOING TO COST \$20,000,000.00? CLEANUP HAS ALREADY TAKEN PLACE AND STUDIES SHOW THAT THE SITE IS CLEAN AND SAFE. YOUR EFFORTS ARE FINE, BUT TO SPEND \$18,000,000.00 FOR A SITE, ACCORDING TO YOUR STUDIES IS CLEAN IS LUDICROUS."

"THANK YOU FOR READING THIS, CONCERNED CITIZENS DESERVE A RESPONSE. WE ARE CONCERNED AND WANT CORPORATIONS TO PURSUE, IN A PRUDENT AND LEGAL MANNER ON IDEAS AND METHODS TO HANDLE HAZARDOUS WASTE SAFELY. PRISTINE ATTEMPTED AND APPEARS THEIR INSIGHT TO HANDLE FUTURE ENVIRONMENTAL PROBLEMS (WHICH ARE NUMEROUS) WAS TRUNCATED BY AN UNFAIR, NEARSIGHTED AGENCY."

US EPA RESPONSE: THE US EPA DOES NOT AGREE WITH YOUR STATEMENT THAT THE PRISTINE, INC. SITE IS CLEAN.

ACCEPTABLE RISK LEVELS OF 1 ADDITIONAL CANCER CASE IN A MILLION ARE EXCEEDED IN BOTH SOIL AND GROUNDWATER AT

THE PRISTINE, INC. SITE BY AS MUCH AS 10,000 TIMES IN A WORST CASE SCENARIO. THE FUNDS TO BE SPENT TO CLEANUP

THE SITE AND PAST COSTS OF US EPA WILL BE PAID BY THE RESPONSIBLE PARTIES. THE AGENCY SHARES YOUR CONCERN

ABOUT HAVING ONLY LEGALLY REPUTABLE AND COMPETENT COMPANIES IN THE WASTE DISPOSAL INDUSTRY.

THE RANKING OF THE PRISTINE, INC. SITE ON THE NATIONAL PRIORITIES LIST DOES NOT HAVE A BEARING ON THE COST OF THE REMEDY SINCE THE NATURE AND EXTENT OF CONTAMINATION WAS NOT DETERMINED PRIOR TO SCORING THE SITE.

#### 20. COMMENT: COALITION OF READING

"AFTER REVIEWING SOME OF THE ARTICLES THAT HAVE BEEN WRITTEN SINCE THE PRISTINE, INC. CASE, WE HAVE DISCOVERED AN ARTICLE THAT SEEMS TO DEPICT A DOUBLE STANDARD WITH THE USEPA, OHIO EPA ON HOW THEY HANDLE PRIVATE CORPORATIONS VERSUS CITY OR MUNICIPAL PROBLEMS. THE ARTICLE WRITTEN IN THE CINCINNATI ENQUIRER (MAY 5, 1989) INDICATED THAT ENVIRONMENTAL OFFICIALS, DATING BACK TO 1943, HAVE BEEN TRYING TO PERSUADE THE CITY OF READING TO UPGRADE THEIR WATER SYSTEM. EPA OFFICIAL MORE RECENT, IN THE SAME ARTICLE, INDICATED THAT THE

WATER WELLS ARE SURROUNDED BY INDUSTRIAL PLANTS. THE LEVELS OF CONTAMINATION EXCEEDS THE FEDERAL STANDARDS BUT THE STATE ACCORDING TO THE ARTICLE WILL NOT TAKE ANY LEGAL ACTION AS LONG AS THE CITY IS EARNESTLY PURSUING AN ALTERNATIVE, IGNORING THE ONGOING AND VERY IMMINENT WATER TREATMENT PROBLEMS. THE PROOF IS OBVIOUS, BUT THE STATE IS GIVING THEM A CHANCE EVEN THOUGH THE PROOF IS THERE AND HAS BEEN FOR YEARS. THE STATE KNOWING THE TREATMENT FACILITY IS ANTIQUATED AND NOT DOING THE JOB, IS SAD COMMENTARY FROM OFFICIALS WHO HAVE SHOWN SOME DISREGARD TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH, WHICH SEEMS MORE THREATENED BY THIS THAN THE SO CALLED MIGRATION OF CONTAMINANTS FROM A NEARBY SITE THAT, ACCORDING TO STUDIES, HAVE NOT BEEN PROVEN."

"THE TOXINS THAT HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED IN THE LOWER AQUIFER, ORIGINATE FROM WHAT DIRECTION, AND DO THEY MATCH
THE TOXINS FOUND AT THE PRISTINE SITE? IT APPEARS, ACCORDING TO STUDIES AND ARTICLES AT THE LIBRARY, THAT THE
SO CALLED PHANTOM IMMINENT DANGER AND ABANDONED SITE CRITERIA HAVE BEEN IGNORED. THE REAL ISSUES TO THE
CITIZENS OF READING SHOULD BE THE WATER WELLS THEMSELVES AND THEIR LOCATION. THIS PROBLEM IS REAL AND NOT
BASED ON POTENTIAL AND IS AN IMMINENT DANGER TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH, WHICH IS WHAT SUPERFUND IS ALL ABOUT."

"WHAT AN ENORMOUS AMOUNT OF MONEY AND EFFORT WASTED WHILE THE REAL DANGER OF HAVING INADEQUATE WATER WELLS STILL EXIST. MAYBE WE SHOULD ALERT THE TOXINS THAT THEY ARE MIGRATING FROM SOMEWHERE TO WAIT UNTIL WE TAKE CARE OF SOME OF THE PAPER WORK. IS THERE A REAL PROBLEM? WHAT DO THESE R.I. AND FEASIBILITY STUDIES REALLY SHOW? THE CITIZENS WILL PAY AGAIN THROUGH HIGHER COST BECAUSE THE GOVERNMENT IS PLAYING GAMES. ANY DISCREPANCIES OR QUESTION MARKS REGARDING DATA SHOULD BE ANSWERED AND JUSTIFIED. THIS SITE SHOULD NOT COST THE PUBLIC AND CITIZENS OF THE UNITED STATES \$18,000,000.00 SO AN AGENCY WHO SO FAR HAS ONLY CLEANED UP 27 SITES OUT OF 1200 PROMOTE THEIR UNNECESSARY QUEST. START NOW AND DO SOMETHING THAT THE CITIZENS WILL BE PROUD OF AND WON'T HAVE TO PAY FOR."

US EPA RESPONSE: TO THE BEST OF THE US EPA'S KNOWLEDGE, THE WATER BEING CONSUMED BY THE USERS OF THE READING PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY IS SAFE EVEN IF INDIVIDUAL PRODUCTION WELLS ARE CONTAMINATED. SHOULD THIS NOT BE THE CASE AND NO ALTERNATIVE EXISTS, THE US EPA HAS THE AUTHORITY AND RESPONSIBILITY TO ASSURE THAT THE SITUATION IS REMEDIED. THE SUPERFUND LAW WAS ENACTED WITH A GOAL OF TOTAL COST REIMBURSEMENT AND/OR PRIVATE PARTY CLEANUP IMPLEMENTATION FOR EACH SITE. AT THE PRISTINE SITE ALL OF THE GOVERNMENT'S PAST COSTS AND THE COMPLETE BURDEN OF THE REMEDY'S IMPLEMENTATION IS BEING TAKEN UP BY THE RESPONSIBLE PARTIES.

COMMENT: WILLIAM A. BRONNIN, READING, OHIO

"HOW COULD THE EPA EVER OK A SITE LIKE THIS FOR CHEMICAL WASTE. IT IS LOCATED NEXT TO A CREEK AND ONE HUNDRED YARDS FROM A RESIDENTIAL SUBURB. I PERSONALLY THINK THE EPA SHOULD BE HELD ACCOUNTABLE FOR THE DAMAGE AND BUY ALL THE PROPERTY AROUND THIS AREA. THE PEOPLE THAT LIVE IN OR NEAR THE AREA HAVE A HIGHER CANCER RATE ANYWHERE ELSE IN THE WORLD."

"HOW COULD THE EPA HAVE 19.4 MILLION DOLLARS OK'D FOR CLEANUP OVER TWO YEARS AGO, AND NOT DO THIS CLEANUP. WHAT ARE YOU WAITING FOR."

- "THE SECOND METHOD IS NO GOOD BECAUSE YOU WAITED TO LONG. THE CHEMICALS ARE MUCH DEEPER THAN 12 FEET UNDERGROUND."
- "I HAVE LIVED BY THIS WASTE SITE FOR 28 YEARS. MY NEIGHBORS CHILDREN TELL STORIES OF SEEING THE WORKERS BURYING DRUMS UNDER GROUND 15 OR 20 YEARS AGO."
- "THE PEOPLE IN THIS AREA THINK IT IS HOPELESS TO TALK TO GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS. THEY FEEL AND I DO TOO, THAT THE EPA DOESN'T CARE ABOUT PEOPLE. THEY JUST WANT TO HARASS AND COLLECT MORE MONEY FROM TAX PAYERS."
- "IF THE EPA IS NOT GOING TO CLEAN-UP THIS MESS, WHICH WAS THEIR FAULT TO BEGIN WITH, I KNOW THEY WILL NEVER CLEANUP THE METRO SEWER SYSTEM WHICH HAS BEEN OBSOLETE FOR 25 YEARS."

US EPA RESPONSE: THE PRISTINE, INC. FACILITY WAS A PRIVATE CORPORATION THAT WAS POORLY OPERATED. THE REMEDIAL INVESTIGATION DETERMINED THE NATURE AND EXTENT OF CONTAMINATION WITH THE DATA SHOWING THAT THE SURFACE CONTAMINATION HAS NOT MIGRATED AWAY FROM THE SITE, BUT GROUNDWATER HAS BEEN AFFECTED BY THE PRISTINE CONTAMINATION. THE RESPONSIBLE PARTIES HAVE AGREED TO FINANCE THE CLEANUP OF THE SITE TO LEVELS WHICH ARE PROTECTIVE OF HUMAN HEALTH AND THE ENVIRONMENT. THE PROPERTY SURROUNDING THE PRISTINE, INC. SITE IS NOT

CONTAMINATED, THEREFORE IT IS NOT REQUIRED THAT PROPERTIES BE PURCHASED. ONCE THE CLEANUP IS COMPLETED, THE POTENTIAL FOR MIGRATION OF CONTAMINATION OFFSITE WILL BE ELIMINATED.

THE US EPA WAS GOING TO FUND THE ORIGINAL REMEDY AND TRY TO RECOVER COSTS AT A LATER DATE FROM THE RESPONSIBLE PARTIES, BUT THE RESPONSIBLE PARTIES SUBMITTED A PROPOSAL TO CLEANUP AND FINANCE THE SITE REMEDY IF US EPA CHANGED THE SOIL COMPONENT OF THE PRISTINE ROD. THE US EPA, US ARMY CORP OF ENGINEERS AND THE STATE OF OHIO REVIEWED THE RESPONSIBLE PARTIES' PROPOSAL AND DETERMINED THAT THE NECESSARY CLEANUP STANDARDS WOULD BE MET WITH THE NEW REMEDY FOR THE CONTAMINATED SOIL. THE DESIGN FOR THE SITE REMEDY SHOULD BEGIN IN A FEW MONTHS.

YOUR CONCERN THAT CHEMICALS HAVE MIGRATED MORE THAN 12 FEET BELOW THE SURFACE WILL BE VERIFIED IN THE DESIGN PHASE WHEN WE WILL PERFORM ADDITIONAL SAMPLING. SAMPLING PERFORMED DURING THE REMEDIAL INVESTIGATION WAS THE SOURCE OF THE 12 FEET. IN ADDITION, DURING THE REMEDIAL INVESTIGATION, EXTENSIVE UNDERGROUND TESTING FOR BURIED METAL SUCH AS DRUMS WAS PERFORMED AND IT WAS DETERMINED THAT BURIED MATERIALS WERE NOT PRESENT AT OR NEAR THE SITE.

THE AGENCY ENCOURAGES PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AND WILL PERIODICALLY ISSUE FACT SHEETS TO KEEP THE PUBLIC UPDATED ON THE PROGRESS OF THE CLEANUP AT THE PRISTINE, INC. SITE. THE AGENCY PLANS TO OVERSEE AN EFFECTIVE CLEANUP AT THE PRISTINE, INC. SITE THAT IS PROTECTIVE OF HUMAN HEALTH AND THE ENVIRONMENT.

## TABLE 1 PERFORMANCE GOALS AND STANDARDS SOIL AND SEDIMENT

#### A. VOLATILE COMPOUNDS

CHEMICAL	CONCENTRATION (UG/KG)
BENZENE CHLOROFORM 1,2-DICHLOROETHANE 1,2-DICHLOROETHENE TETRACHLOROETHENE TRICHLOROETHENE	116 2,043 19 285 3,244 175
B. NON-VOLATILE COMPOUNDS	
CHEMICAL	CONCENTRATION (UG/KG)
ALDRIN DDT DIELDRIN PAHS 2,3,7,8,-TCDD (DIOXIN)	15 487 6 14 0

### TABLE 2 PRISTINE SOIL REMEDY COST COMPARISON

IN-SITU VITRIFICATION A	IN-SITU SOIL VAPOR EXTRACTION INCINERATION
EXCAVATION 19,000 VITRIFICATION 10,600,000	EXCAVATION A 33,000 VAPOR EXTRACTION B 3,000,000 INCINERATION C 2,433,000 RCRA CAP A 447,000 SOIL SAMPLING B 250,000
CONSTRUCTION 10,619,000 SUBTOTALS	6,163,000
HEALTH & SAFETY 1,062,000 CONTIN. 10 PERCENT	616,000
BID CONTIN. 20 PERCENT 2,124,000 SCOPE 2,123,000 CONTIN. 20 PERCENT	1,233,000 1,233,000
CONSTRUCTION 15,929,000 TOTAL	9,245,000
LEGAL 5 PERCENT 796,000 CONSTRUCTION 1,593,000 SERVICES 10 PERCENT	462,000 925,000
TOTAL 18,318,000 IMPLEMENTATION COSTS	10,632,000
ENGINEERING 1,099,000 DESIGN 6 PERCENT	638,000
TOTAL COST D 19,417,000	11,270,000

- (A) BASED ON PRISTINE FEASIBILITY STUDY COSTS
- (B) US EPA CONSERVATIVE ESTIMATE BASED ON OTHER SITES
- (C) 3,600 YD3 TOP 1 FT OF SITE PLUS 1,125 YD3 MAGIC PIT PLUS 1,000 YD3 SEDIMENTS = 5,725 YD3 AT 425/YD3, PER FS ASH DELISTED AND PLACED BACK ON-SITE
- (D) DOES NOT INCLUDE O&M PRESENT WORTH